1st February 1966]

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move—

'That the Madras University (Amendment) Bill, 1965 (L.A. Bill No. 42 of 1965), as amended by the Joint Select Committee, be passed.'

The motion was put and carried and the Bill, as amended by the Joint Select Committee, was passed.

(4) THE MADRAS GIFT GOODS (UNLAWFUL POSSESSION) AMENDMENT BILL, 1966.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) Amendment Bill, 1966, and move—

'That the Bill [a] be taken into consideration.'

Sir, this is a simple measure. Members are aware that Voluntary International Organisations like the CARE, UNICEF, etc., have been supplying substantial quantities of milk powder and other commodities for distribution to school children, Maternity and Child Welfare Centres, Hospitals, etc. In order to see that these commodities supplied by the relief organisations reach the children without any leakage of any kind and to prevent any possible misuse, the Madras Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) Act, 1961, was passed.

Cornmeal, milk powder and vegetable oil supplied by the relief organisations are now covered by the said Act. The CARE organisation is now supplying butter oil also. This commodity and other new items which may be supplied by the relief organisations have to be brought within the scope of the Act. It will not be convenient to amend the Act every time a new commodity is supplied by the relief organisations. It is, therefore, proposed to amend the Act so as to enable the Government to specify such items by notification. I would like to add that the CARE organisation has been so good as to offer more of such supplies and many other commodities to other institutions. I commend the motion for the acceptance of the House.

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) Amendment Bill, 1966, be taken into consideration."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clause 2 was put and carried.

Clause 1, the Enacting Formula and the Long Title were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) Amendment Bill, 1966, be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

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